



The sorts of tidbits

my father, Rav Meir Zlotowitz zt"l, made sure his family was up to date on
from the mundane, to the profound, to the 'thanks for reminding me!'



Parashas Bereishis 5783
October 13th • 28 Tishrei

Shabbos Mevarchim

This week is Shabbos Mevorchim Chodesh Cheshvan. Rosh Chodesh is on Sunday and Monday, October 15th-16th. The *molad* is Shabbos afternoon 6:33 PM and 1 *chelek*.

There is no Yom Kippur Katan observed for this Rosh Chodesh as Yom Kippur was previously observed this month.

Reminders

With Parashas Bereishis we begin a new *cycle* of *Shenayim Mikra v'Echad Targum*, the mitzvah to read the Parashah twice, along with the Targum Onkelos once. The Gemara (Berachos 8) says the reward for this mitzvah is *arichas yamim* (longevity). Can one fulfill the obligation to read Targum by reading an alternate translation, such as English? Consult your Rav.

We began saying *Mashiv HaRuach U'Morid haGeshem* on Shemini Atzeres. One who said *Morid Hatal* (i.e. Nusach Sefard) instead, does not need to repeat Shemoneh Esrei (the same applies if one is unsure if he said one or the other). For Nusach Ashkenaz (whose adherents do not otherwise say *Morid Hatal*), the omission of *Mashiv HaRuach* requires repeating Shemoneh Esrei. One who realizes his error before beginning *Atah Kadosh* may immediately say "*Mashiv HaRuach...*" and continue with *Atah Kadosh* etc. If he realizes his error after beginning *Atah Kadosh*, he must return to the beginning of Shemoneh Esrei. If one is unsure if he added *Mashiv HaRuach*, for the first 90 tefillos it is assumed that he did not say *Mashiv HaRuach*, as he is not yet accustomed to saying it (the 90th tefillah will be *Minchah* on Sunday, November 13th). However, one who repeated the phrase "*Mechayei Meisim Atah Rav L'hoshia, Mashiv HaRuach u'Morid Hageshem*" 90 times can be halachically presumed to be accustomed to saying it; he would then not need to repeat Shemoneh Esrei in case of uncertainty.

As Rosh Chodesh begins on Motzaei Shabbos, one who extends *seudas shelishis* after sundown is in a quandary whether to say *Retzei* or *Ya'aleh Veyavo* (or both) in bentsching. Some are careful not to eat bread after *tzeis* (for this purpose 35-40 minutes after *shekiya*) and then only say *Retzei*. Speak to your Rav.

Tzidkas'cha is omitted at *Minchah* on Shabbos.

The first opportunity for Kiddush Levanah is Tuesday evening, October 17th. The final opportunity in the USA is Motzaei Shabbos, October 28th.

One should remember to fulfill his/her *Yizkor* tzedakah pledges.

Daf Yomi - Friday: Bavli: Kiddushin 61 • Yerushalmi: Shevi'is 6 • Mishnah Yomis: Chagiga 1:2-3 • Oraysa: Next week is Yoma 18b-21a

Make sure to call your parents, in-laws, grandparents and Rabbi to wish them a good Shabbos. If you didn't speak to your kids today, make sure to connect with them as well!

Next on the Calendar

The series of days of BeHaB begins on Monday, October 23rd.

Parshah in a Paragraph

Bereishis: The Seven Days of Creation. Day 1 - the world, starting with light (day & night) • Day 2 - the sky, separation of waters • Day 3 - earth and seas, vegetation and seeds • Day 4 - sun, moon and stars • Day 5 - fish and birds • Day 6 - beasts of the earth, Adam and Chavah (Kayin and Hevel were born on this day as well) • Day 7 - blessed and holy rest • Adam and Chavah are placed in Gan Eden • The Tree of Knowledge is forbidden to them • The serpent entices Chavah to eat of the Tree of Knowledge • The serpent, Chavah, and Adam are cursed • Adam and Chavah are expelled from the garden • Kayin and Hevel offer sacrifices; only Hevel's is accepted • Kayin kills Hevel • Hashem warns Kayin about the nature of the evil inclination • Generations later, Lemech kills Kayin • Sheis is born • Ten generations from Adam to Noach • Hashem 'regrets' creating man and resolves to obliterate mankind • Noach found favor in Hashem's Eyes.

Haftarah: As Shabbos is Erev Rosh Chodesh, the *haftarah* of *Machar Chodesh* replaces the regular *haftarah*. It discusses the interaction that took place on Erev Rosh Chodesh between David Hamelech and Yehonasan, son of King Shaul. Although David would become king instead of Yehonasan, they remained as close as brothers. The *haftarah* tells the story of how Yehonasan saved David's life from King Shaul.

613 Taryag Weekly

Bereishis: 146 Pesukim • 1 Obligation

Peru U'revu - A man must marry and bear a son and a daughter.

For the Shabbos Table

יִקָּם קַיִן אֶל-הֵבֶל אָחִיו וַיַּהַרְגֵהוּ

"Kayin rose against his brother Hevel, and he killed him" (Bereishis 4:8)

We know everything that occurs is just; that being the case, why did Hevel deserve to be killed by his own brother?

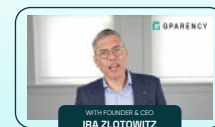
Rav Nachum Partzovitz zt"l, quoted by Rav Elya Baruch Finkel zt"l, explains that from the *pasuk* it is clear that Kayin looked obviously distressed when Hashem did not accept his *korban*. It is reasonable to assume that Hevel saw Kayin's disappointment, yet it does not seem that Hevel attempted to comfort his brother in any way. This lack of empathy for his brother's distress made Hevel deserving of death at his brother's hand! Chazal say, "*Yesh koneh olamo besh'a'ah achas*," literally translated as "Some acquire their portion in the World [to Come] in one moment." However, the Ba'alei Mussar explain that an alternate translation of "*sha'ah*" is "attentive". Thus, explaining the phrase, "Some acquire their world through one instance of paying attention", by being mindful of a fellow's need at just one occasion. If Hevel had considered his brother's pain, he may have "acquired his world", and could have been spared his brother's rage.

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Parshas Beraishis | October 13-14

	ר"ת	שקיעה שבת	סקש גר"א שבת	סקש מ"א שבת	שקיעה Friday Night	הדלקה עש"ק	פג מנחה עש"ק
Atlanta	8:17	7:05	10:32	9:55	7:06	6:48	5:54
Baltimore	7:41	6:29	10:03	9:23	6:30	6:12	5:20
Boston	7:16	6:04	9:42	9:01	6:05	5:47	4:55
Catskills	7:31	6:19	9:56	9:15	6:20	6:02	5:10
Chicago	7:22	6:10	9:48	9:07	6:12	5:52	5:02
Cleveland	7:59	6:47	10:24	9:43	6:49	6:31	5:39
Detroit	8:04	6:52	10:30	9:49	6:53	6:35	5:43
Lakewood	7:30	6:18	9:54	9:14	6:20	6:02	5:10
Los Angeles	7:32	6:20	9:47	9:10	6:21	6:03	5:10
Miami	8:06	6:54	10:12	9:38	6:55	6:37	5:42
Monsey	7:29	6:17	9:54	9:13	6:18	6:00	5:08
Montreal	7:22	6:10	9:54	9:10	6:12	5:54	5:54
New York	7:29	6:17	9:53	9:13	6:19	6:01	5:08
Orlando	8:09	6:57	10:18	9:43	6:58	6:40	5:45
Passaic	7:29	6:17	9:54	9:13	6:19	6:01	5:09
Philadelphia	7:34	6:22	9:58	9:18	6:24	6:06	5:14
Toronto	7:48	6:36	10:16	9:34	6:37	6:19	5:28
Yerushalayim	7:25	6:08	9:33	8:57	6:09	5:34	4:57

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